THE SC STATE LIBRARY HAS ESTABLISHED TWO PRIMARY APPLICANT GROUPS FOR AWARD OF ITS SUBGRANT FUNDS. THEY ARE:

Each State must identify the State's library needs, describe activities to be supported with the assistance of LSTA funds, and assure IMLS that the State will establish policies, priorities, criteria and procedures to implement the LSTA Grants to States Program.

- **SC'S PUBLIC LIBRARIES**
- **KEY PARTNER ORGANIZATIONS**

Funds are distributed through three types of subgrants:

1. **Competitive** – Available for a short time period and subject to application deadlines. *(See Grant Cycle Calendar)*

2. **Discretionary** -- Available throughout a funding cycle and subject to the availability of funds. *(This applies ONLY to funding available for educational opportunities that support at least one of the six federal purposes and at least one of SC's Five-Year LSTA Plan state goals.)*

3. **Cooperative Agreements** – Available to organizations (state institutional, academic, school, public or special libraries, non-profits and state agencies) engaged in collaborative/partnership endeavors with the SC State Library.

Eligibility Requirements *(Entities must provide applicable compliance certifications)*	
Public Libraries must:	• Meet State Aid requirements • Provide free access to Interlibrary Loan services
Non-Profit Organizations, State Agencies and Other Libraries *(see below)* identified as key SC State Library partner organizations must:	• Support/complement the goals of public libraries, SC State Library statewide initiatives and LSTA

Requirements for Other Types of Libraries *(Note: Those engaged in partnerships with the SC State Library)*	
State Residential Institutional Libraries	• Have FTE staff, an organized collection, adequate space, a materials budget, and a minimum of 20 hours service per week • Submit annual statistical data to the SC State Library • Provide some opportunity for service to the public or have a strong commitment to resource sharing
Elementary and Secondary School Library-Media Centers	• Be a SC public school or a private school accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools or a federal/state school
Academic Libraries must:	• Be a SC public college/university or an independent college/university with non-profit status • Submit annual statistical data to the SC State Library • Provide some opportunity for service to the public or have a strong commitment to resource sharing
Special Libraries must:	• Have full-time staff and an organized collection • Provide some opportunity for service to the public or have a strong commitment to resource sharing